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(From Our Own Correspondent).

CANTON, January 9.
It is reported in the newspapers here that the British Consul-General for Canton has proposed to Viceroy Chang that a Mixed Court, similar to that of Shanghai, be established on the Shamens.

The Viceroy has shown the proposal to Peking but no answer has yet been received.

"THE SILVER KING."

Kowloon residents have every reason to feel proud of the Amateur Dramatic Club which has come to the front lately on their side of the water. The second performance of "The Silver King" was most successfully brought off last night before a crowded house. The principals played their parts with an ease and grace seldom looked for in the ranks of amateurs, while the minor parts were all good studies of truthfulness to detail and effect. To those behind the scenes great praise is due for the admirable manner in which the staging was carried out, while the gentleman who painted the scenery, Mr. Geo. Duncan, is deserving of special mention. Hongkongites must thank the staff of the Dock Company for the splendid arrangements which were made for the convenience of those attending the performances. Why not give a third performance at a later date? The idea is certainly worth consideration. Perhaps it would even be advisable to reproduce the piece in Hongkong if proper arrangements could be made.

THE STOWAWAY CASE.

Mr. J. H. Gardiner appeared before Mr. J. H. Kemp, at the Magistracy, to-day, and asked his Worship if he would grant a rehearing of the case in which twenty Chinese were sentenced on Monday to nine months hard labour for being stowaways on the S. S. Eastern, with a view to a reduction of the sentence.

His Worship—It is a very serious offence. Mr. Gardiner—I don't think the circumstances were altogether explained to your Worship.

His Worship—They were not of the ignorant scoundrel class. Mr. Gardiner—I understand they paid about \$800 in all, thinking they were getting a cheap passage to Australia. I think the owners would not wish for such a sentence especially if it becomes known amongst the Chinese.

His Worship—They pressed for more than that. Without granting a rehearing I will reconsider my decision. I do think it is a serious offence.

Mr. Gardiner—Would your Worship consider the letter I hope to receive from the owners? His Worship—Yes, I will consider that as well.

WEST RIVER NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent).

WECHEW, January 9.
It is reported that in a few months' time, the already excellent service of steamers between this port and those further down the river will be further improved by the addition of a new boat running between Wuchow and Canton. The boat is to fly the French flag and will be capable of doing fifteen knots an hour. It is the intention of the promoters of this scheme to so time their departure that travellers leaving Wuchow in the morning may catch the 4.30 train at Samsui in the afternoon, so arriving in Canton in time for dinner.

The Acting British Consul is due home on furlough early this year, but the name of his successor is not yet known. We have had a visit from the new Chinese West River fleet of gunboats. These vessels are smart and workmanlike in appearance and have created a very good impression.

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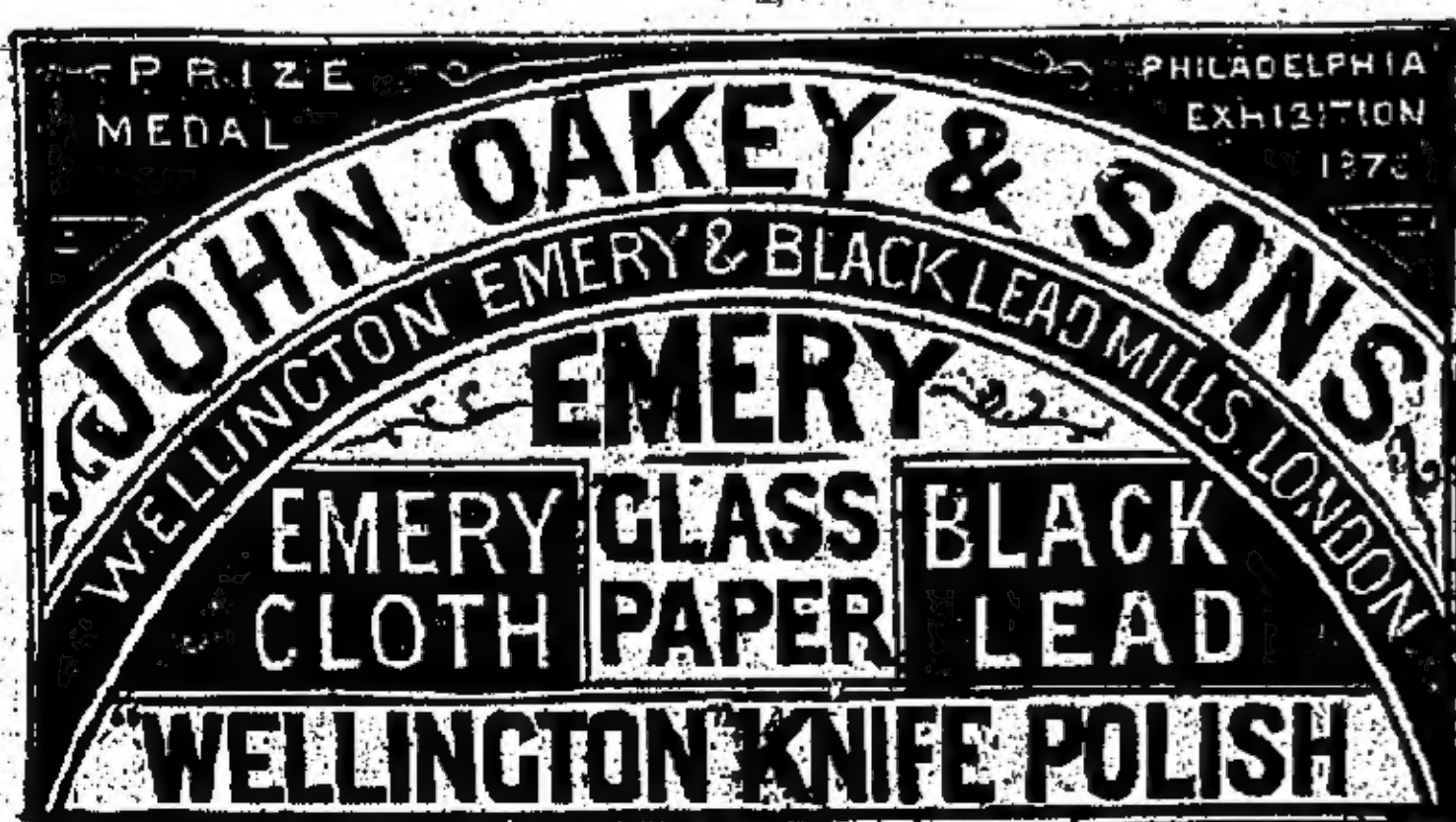
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(From Our Own Correspondent.)
Macao, 7th January.

Informal private parties gathered resi-
dents at from and easy year-end vigils in
lieu of the time-honoured annual ball at
Government House and the New Year was
cordially hailed at the stroke of midnight
by the lively rattling crackle of fireworks,
the merry clang of the chimes and the tling-
ling of glasses. On the 1st inst. H.E. the
Governor held the usual levee at 1.30 p.m.
and streams of callers flowed in and out
of Government House, the ecclesiastical,
military and civil service ladies being fully
represented as well as the Consular Service
and native element.

An interesting little function took place
at the offices of the *Vida Nova* on Saturday
evening when a little party including Dr.
and Mrs. Nolasco, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. A.
da Silva, Lieut. and Mrs. J. Lobato, Mrs.
and Mrs. P. N. da Silva Jr. and Messrs H.
Nolasco da Silva and P. A. Tavares sat
down to a dainty supper in the editorial
sanctum to welcome the issue from the
press of the initial number of the new
weekly. When the first sheet was brought
in Dr. Nolasco, in a neat little speech, pro-
posed success to the new venture which
was heartily drunk. Mr. Tavares next
raised his glass to the ladies who had
graced the proceedings with their presence
and suggested that the paper be handed
round for signature by all present. The
little act over, the sheet was carefully
shelved.

On the evening of Sunday, the 3rd inst.
at the Grémio Militar, the members and
their friends were treated to a most inter-
esting lecture by Dr. Silva Mendes on Leo
Tea and his doctrines according to the
Tao Te King. It was the first of a series
of monthly discourses which the members
are organizing. H. M. the King D.
Manuel II. graciously presented the insti-
tution with a life-sized portrait bearing his
autograph, and the inauguration of the
royal gift was performed yesterday after-
noon before a crowded house.

The merry brigades have kept things
going pretty lively on the island of Vong
Cam during the last few days and pan-
mongers have been nothing loth to add to
the prevailing uneasiness resultant from
the status quo in the relations between
Portugal and China, fanned by echoes of
the Fatahu affair, by throwing out
dark hints that all is not quite right
with the State of Denmark. The fact is
that the bandits, or whatever else
they be, are well equipped and often turn
up in the guise of soldiers. That the state
of affairs over the way was far from
serene is a fact, so much so, that a
contingent of troops was despatched to
the spot, followed later by H. E. the
governor in person. The gunboat Rio
Lima also steamed out of port the same
evening and only returned from her cruise
about the outlying isles last night. From
the officers' report, all is now quiet after
what appears to have been but an-
other periodic skirmish, only on a
bolder scale. On this side another dar-
ing raid has been perpetrated on a bam-
boo artisan's shop, where a gang of seven
footpads surprised the inmates at their
dinner and having bound and gagged their
victims, ransacked the place and decamped
with about \$500 in cash. On the same
evening an old resident, Mr. Ed. Marques,
was mysteriously relieved of private effects
to the value of \$300.

What now takes the cake, is the word of
warning issued complacently by the knights
of the road to masters of pleasure craft
carrying sportsmen up the river, to hoist a
green light in order to obviate confusion
with vessels otherwise freighted.

The gunboat Patria left Manila on Tues-
day morning, the 6th inst.

A cablegram from Lisbon on Monday
last confirmed the appointment of the
delegates to the Opium Conference at
Shanghai. They are Mr. O. Potier, Consul
general for Portugal at Shanghai, and Mr.
C. A. R. d'Assumpcao, Chief of the local
Bureau for Chinese Affairs. The latter
nominee is leaving here about the 14th
inst.

The Sanyo Hotel at Shimonoeki
(Bakan) was burned on the 30th December.

Ten thousand rioters have been causing
trouble outside the Lianping peninsula,
near Fuzhou. Eight hundred Japanese
troops were sent to restore order.

Some ladies of the Imperial Clan hav-
ing presumed on their positions to violate
the opium prohibition by the secret sale of
the drug, the Imperial Clan Court and the
Ministry of the Interior have agreed to
ignore their rank and punish them as
ordinary people.

Chinese papers declare that Yuan Shih-
kai's dismissal is due to the fact that he
has recently been impeached thrice. The
most important impeachment is by Censor
Chiang Chun-lin on twenty counts, implicat-
ing also Prince Ching. It is also reported
that Yuan's dismissal is in connection with
the coup d'état in 1908, for the Prince Re-
gent has not forgotten that his late brother's
schemes of reform were nipped in the bud
through Yuan Shih-kai's warning the Ed-
ward Dowager. No secrecy surrounded
Yuan Shih-kai's departure from Peking on
the afternoon of January 5. He left by a
special train for Changchun, and was
accompanied by all his wives.

PULPIT ECHOES.

At Union Church on a recent Sunday this
Rev. C. H. Hickling spoke as follows. Re-
cently an Agnostic asked a friend, "What
would you call a man who went to a fruit
tree, when it was not the season for fruit
and finding none, cursed the tree?" This
person, like many in our day, is anxious to
pick holes in Christ's coat and finds him-
self "up against a tough proposition." The
fig tree incident is constantly referred to in
this endeavor. It has been recently
answered once again in the pages of the
British Weekly, whose "Correspondence"
look at the narrative as given by Mark in
the eleventh chapter, verses 12 to 14 and
20 to 25. Pity in his Natural History, as
well as many able botanists in recent times,
noted the peculiarity of this species, viz.
that it forms its fruit before its foliage
appears. It is in this respect like the
wisteria among flowering plants. It was
scarcely the season for fruit yet, when
Jesus descending the slope of Olivet, that
April morning, espied the solitary fig tree,
conspicuous among the palms which lined
the road. But, being advantageously
situated, it had matured early. Having
foliage, it should have had fruit. Jesus
had a right to expect figs. Here is the
answer to the Agnostic.

But why should he curse the senseless
fig tree? Any course of the kind was
abnormal in Jesus. M. Renan, here, an
instance of the irritability, which, he
alleges, was generated in Jesus by the
disappointments of His ministry, the
despising hostility of His enemies, and the
gradual fading of His dream of winning the
world. His natural gentleness seemed to
have abandoned Him; He was sometimes
harsh and capricious. Sometimes His dis-
pleasure at the slightest opposition led
Him to commit inexplicable and apparently
absurd acts." This hardly deserves com-
ment. It is wonderful how an imagina-
tion working constantly in a given direction
is able to distort. "Inexplicable" along
such a line most certainly many things are
in the life of Jesus. Does not this simply
show that M. Renan was not on the right
line for seeing clearly? This is the only
miracle of cursing recorded of Jesus. In
reality it is like all the others.

During His later visits to Jerusalem
Jesus endeavored eagerly to win the
obedience of the city to His message and
mission. He adopted the method which
was characteristically Oriental and had been
largely adopted by ancient prophets (vide
Isaiah 42-43; Jeremiah 23-24 and even
Isaiah 54-55). The method was congenial
with the Jewish mind and served its purpose
well. It started spectators and compelled
attention if not reflection. Other such ob-
ject lessons were the ananias and
Sapphira episode, the cleansing of the
temple, the entry into Jerusalem, and the
feet-washing in the upper room. This, too,
very advantageously situated, fair in out-
ward show, yet barren, was an apt emblem
of Israel. Jesus had already compared the
nation to such a tree and warned her of the
doom, which, unless she mended her ways,
was imminent (Luke 13 6-9; compare Mat-
thew 21). And now by the more startling
method of an acted parable. He repeats
the warning.

Thus viewed there is nothing of petulance
or anger. It is a gracious, pathetic warn-
ing, a compassionate appeal.
The character of Jesus emerges easily
from this ignorant smartness such as that of
the agnostic quoted. The question remains,
What do you think of Christ? Is He griev-
ing over us? Many danger signals are
walking about and being carried about
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But in moral every glaring failure may
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H. F. WHITE,
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Hongkong, January 7, 1909.

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Hongkong, December 23, 1907.

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MESSRS. HUGHES & HUGH are favoured with instructions to Sell by Public
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Sheets, Tapestry Table Covers, Irish Linen Doyles, Muslin and Embroidered
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Children's Clothes and Overcoats, Lace Curtains, Tapestry Curtains, &c., &c., and
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On the 12th inst., at Victoria Hospital,
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a Son.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Auction.

230 p.m.—Auction of Lady's & Gent's
Silver E.P. Mounted Dressing Cases,
&c., Mr. Geo. P. Lammett's Sales For Mr.

Amusements.

9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.

9 p.m.—Promenade at St. Andrew's Hall.

Miscellaneous.

Nook—Discretion School Prize Distribu-
tion.Goods per Delhi not cleared at 4 p.m. on
this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, January 14—

9 p.m.—Volunteer Ball.

Goods per Prince of Wales undelivered
after this date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, January 15—

Nook—Auction of Valuable Leasehold
Property, at Messrs Hughes & Hough's
Sales Rooms.Goods per Tempo Mary undelivered at 5
p.m. on this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, January 16—

11 a.m.—Auction of High-Class Irish
Goods, at Messrs Hughes & Hough's
Sales Rooms.Goods per Benlary undelivered after
this date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, January 21—

5.15 p.m.—Annual Meeting of Y.M.C.A.

FRIDAY, January 22—

Chinese New Year.

SATURDAY, January 23—

Mr. A. J. Brackenbury, Private Secretary,
to H.E. the Governor, leaves by the
s.s. Delhi.

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ed to THE MANAGER.Correspondents must forward their names
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The China Mail

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1909

HONGKONG RAINFALL FOR 1908.

The year's rainfall in Hongkong, as
registered at the Kowloon Observatory,
amounted to 91.37 inches, or 9 per cent
above the average (84.42 inches) for the
last 25 years. The distribution of rain
throughout the year did not vary ma-
terially from the average. January and
February were wet months, but when
the averages are only 1.46 inches and
1.75 inches respectively, excesses of 81
per cent and 62 per cent are not of
much importance. These excesses were,
moreover, almost exactly balanced by a
decidedly dry March. April was a wet
month with 11.15 inches against an
average of 5.88 inches. May was an
unusually dry month, but the five
usually wet months, May-September,
taken together produced a rainfall with-
in 1 per cent of the average. October
had an excess of about an inch; Novem-
ber was practically rainless, but as its
average is only 1.45 inches a deficiency
is not of much consequence, and it was
moreover balanced by an unusually wet
December, the rainfall for the last
month of the year beating the record
and amounting to 1.29 inches against
an average of 1.18 inches and a previous
maximum of 1.09 inches.The rainfall statistics of Hongkong
have their chief value in the relation
they bear to our water supply, and we
need therefore make no apology for
treating them from the point of view of
the Water Authority. It is not a wet year
merely, which produces plenty, and a dry
year a water famine, but much depends
on the distribution of the rainfall. If it
all comes down in excessive falls in the
middle of the summer, the reservoirs
overflow and a large quantity runs to
waste, but if the same quantity of rain
is more evenly distributed the reservoirs
are kept full to a later date in the
autumn and the dry season is con-
sequently shortened. The wet season
of 1908, in common with those of the
previous two years, ended favourably
for waterworks purposes. September
had an excess of 4 inches and October
had 1 inch above the average. But
this series of favourable years and
comparative plenty which they have
brought about should not be allowed
to blind us to the fact that our
waterworks are—if not actually be-
hind the times—at best very little
ahead of them. We have had a
fairly wet summer, ending up with 19
inches against an average of 14 inches
in September and October, but in 1895
we had only 4 inches and in 1901 only
6 inches in those two months, in each
case following on an unusually dry
summer. What has happened before,
in rainfall affairs, may happen again,
and it is doubtful if our existing works
would be adequate to meet such years
as 1895 or 1901 without causing
considerable inconvenience in the
Colony.There is another point in which
rainfall seriously affects us—the heavy
storms, which cause such destruction in
the way of landslides and collapses of
retaining walls. We have not for years
had anything like such a storm as that
of 28th May, 1880, when 20 inches fell in
24 hours. It is four years since we had
as much as 10 inches a day; last year
the heaviest daily fall amounted to 7
inches. Without wishing to appear
prophets of evil, it must be pointed out
that, as in the case of droughts so in the
case of rainstorms, what has happened
before will probably occur again, and
we shall, sooner or later, have much
heavier falls than we have had in recent
years, and then, if every precaution has
not been taken in maintaining drains
and catchwaters a great amount of
damage is sure to occur.We give below the monthly rainfall
for the year and a table showing the
yearly rainfall since the Observatory
was started.

RAINFALL AT HONGKONG OBSERVATORY.

1908 1884-1908.

Month. Max. Min.

January.....2.64 1.36 0.43 0.00

February.....2.83 1.75 7.95 0.02

March.....7.6 2.56 11.49 0.17

April.....11.15 5.88 14.59 1.27

May.....1.33 12.29 48.84 1.15

June.....15.84 16.38 34.37 2.34

July.....22.27 12.77 28.34 4.57

August.....12.06 14.29 27.87 3.97

September.....13.72 9.64 30.60 0.63

October.....5.44 4.03 47.87 0.01

November.....1.4 1.45 7.32 0.01

December.....4.29 1.18 4.29 0.00

YEARLY RAINFALL AT HONGKONG
OBSERVATORY.

Inches.

1884.....75.42

1885.....108.92

1886.....89.17

1887.....66.29

1888.....104.66

1889.....119.72

1890.....70.93

1891.....117.12

1892.....90.97

1893.....90.95

1894.....104.25

1895.....45.83

1896.....72.79

1897.....100.03

1898.....57.03

1899.....72.69

1900.....73.72

1901.....55.78

1902.....97.50

1903.....95.55

1904.....80.43

1905.....70.95

1906.....77.80

1907.....93.55

1908.....91.87

25 years mean.....84.42

HEADACHE is a very common ailment
and is caused by various causes.
There are six headache, bilious headache,
nervous headache, etc. Sufferers from
headache should consult a specialist.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

For failing to exhibit regulation lights
while in the harbour a master of a cargo
boat and a master of a junk were each
fined \$15 at the Marine Court to-day.China tea is again coming into favour
in England and if the market is only
carefully nursed we should shortly see a
big revival in this industry.Mr J. R. Robinson summoned his
cook at the Magistracy this morning for
leaving his service without giving proper
notice. Defendant was fined \$10.Sir George Arbuthnot was released
from the Madras Penitentiary on December
21, having been let off a portion of his
sentence owing to good conduct in jail.The Standard Oil Company's four-
masted steel barque, Comet, from Japan to
New York, has run ashore at Pulau Tujoh,
two hundred miles from Singapore.A cook in the employ of Mr C. H.
Gale, of 1 Des Voeux Villas, the Peak,
was fined \$10 by Mr Kemp, at the
Magistracy, to-day, for pouring boiling
water over a dog.There were 394 European and 186
Chinese visitors to the City Hall Library,
and 194 European and 2,631 Chinese
visitors to the Museum during the week
ending 10th January.From W. G. Humphreys and Co.,
Agents for the General Accident, Fire and
Life Assurance Corporation, Ltd., we have
received a leather bound diary and note
book remarkable for its usefulness and
elegance.It is officially announced that the Gir-
man Government will establish at Kiamchau
a High school for Chinese students at a
cost of \$15,000. China has promised to
subsidize the institution, and also to provide
suitable scholars whose educational status
will be acknowledged by admitting them to
State examinations and State offices.The Chinese Customs returns show a
slight increase on the estimates, says the
Peking correspondent of the N. O. Day's
News. There is an improvement in the
returns from Chungking, Hankow and
Yantai ports. The principal points of
decrease are Shanghai with a drop of Hk.
Tls. 1,400,000 and Tientsin, Tls. 550,000.A Washington telegram dated January
7 says:—A terrible blizzard has swept
from the Rocky Mountain country to the
Atlantic. It has done tremendous damage.
Tens of thousands of horses, sheep and
cattle have perished while hundreds of
people are reported frozen to death. The
snow is piled twenty feet deep on some of
the western railroads. All traffic has been
interrupted.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Acting on the suggestion of Prince Ito,
the Korean Emperor has paid a visit to
Fusan, to inspect conditions in Southern
Korea. His reception was very cordial.The date of Lady Violet Elliot's wedding
has been fixed for the 20th instant, at St.
Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta. The Rangoon
Municipality has given her a wedding gift.Mr J. B. Sutor, Commissioner in the
East of the N. S. W. Government, is pass-
ing through Hongkong on his way to Java.
He hopes to be back in Hongkong in
March.The Crown Princess of Germany re-
cently sold a diamond tiara secretly for
\$5,000, and gave the money to the widows
and orphans of the victims of the colliery
disaster at Radod, in Prussia.The latest news to hand of Sir Haviland
de Saussure, Judge of H. B. M.'s Supreme
Court for China and Korea, is to the effect
that he has undergone a third operation
for appendicitis, which, it is satisfactory to
state, has proved more successful than the
previous ones, and it is hoped that within a
very short time he will be once again
restored to good health. His leave of
absence has been extended for a period of
six months, and he is expected to return to
Shanghai sometime in October.By the Thames to-day Mr and Mrs A. N.
Huke leave for England. Mr Huke is
retiring from business after nearly twenty
years' service in the Far East. The good
wishes of a host of friends accompany Mr
and Mrs Huke to the Homeland. The son of
a—Norwich—physician and born in the
house which once sheltered Sir Thomas
Browne, the author of Religio Medici, and
Coke, the famous lawyer, Mr Huke was
bred up in the atmosphere of books and we
hope he will be roused after many years to
enjoy his earned leisure.SUGGESTED SOLDIERS AND
SAILORS HOME AT MACAO.The Vida Nova advocates the necessity
of building a Soldiers' and Sailors' Club
at Macao, a suggestion well made, in order
to instruct and keep soldiers and
sailors, as is done in all European coun-
tries, well behaved and disciplined. A very
able article on this subject was pub-
lished in our contemporary, second issue,
dated the 10th inst., and it strongly appeals
to Government to take the matter
in hand as soon as possible for the benefit
of both soldiers and sailors. The reason
set forth is very sound and well stated, and
we have no doubt that the Portuguese
Government will not hesitate to give the
matter their best consideration.

LADY LUGARD.

The following Bulletin was issued at
Government House this morning:—
Lady Lugard has not had a good night,
but her condition is otherwise satisfac-
tory.

G. P. JORDAN.

12.1.09.

HARMSTON'S CIRCUS.

As will be seen in our advertisement
columns, Harmston's Circus will open here
on Monday next, 18th inst. The genial
manager, Col. Bob Love, is that making
arrangements and tells us the ever popular
circus is larger and better than ever.
There are thirty all star London and Con-
tinental Artists, who will give many varied
turns, the principal of which are the mar-
vellous Frant-Troop of lady and gentlemen
acrobats; the World's greatest sensation,
looping the loop, where William Schultz
outdoes the once famous Angelotti. Wil-
liam Schultz, it is stated, will leap the gap
at the top of the loop for the space of 22
feet, turning a complete somersault upside
down while doing so; and there is also Jean
and Paul Royale's most up-to-date animal
act in the world. Two full grown tigers
will be harnessed to a chariot and driven
round the cage by a bear.Those who remember previous visits of
the circus will look forward with eagerness
to their opening night and those to whom
it will be new can take our word for it that
the entertainment is refined, up to date,
and well worth spending an evening at.PROVINCIAL SYNOD CONFER-
ENCE AT THE ROMAN
CATHOLIC MISSION HOUSE.The opening of the above Conference
took place on Sunday morning at the
Roman Catholic Cathedral, starting with
a Solemn High Pontifical Mass officiated by
His Lordship Bishop Mazot (of Foochow),
the President of the Synod, in the presence
of three other Bishops, their Lordships
Bishops Clemente (of Amoy), Mallet (of
Canton), and Pozzoni (of Hongkong),
together with over 30 priests. The
service which started at 8 a.m. and con-
cluded at 10.30, was a very imposing
and impressive one. Besides the
officiating Prelate, his three colleagues
were all attired in their Pontifical robes.
The Cathedral was nicely decorated for the
occasion and all the seats fully occupied.
The Choir was well mustered under the
direction of Mr O. Baptista. We under-
stand the second session of the Conference
will be held on Thursday next, and very
likely His Lordship Bishop Clemente will
be the officiating Prelate at the morning
service.

VICTORIA CINEMATOGRAPE.

Nightly at the Cinematograph the Misses
Monte and Miss Laura Diamond entertain
large audiences with their pleasing singing
and clever dancing and both artists are
received most favourably. This week the
attraction is "A Trip by the Peak Tram."
Everyone ought to see this magnificent film.CHINESE CUSTOMS' EXAMINA-
TION.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, January 9.

Last July there was an examination for
entrance to the Customs College in Peking.
The original intention was to choose five
students from each of the five treaty ports,
Tientsin, Shanghai, Hankow, Fuchow and
Canton, but from Canton alone twenty-
four students, who had passed, sailed about
a fortnight ago. As this number con-
siderably exceeds five, the president of the
college, Mr Chan, has been ordered by the
Acting Inspector General of Customs to
hold another examination of the Canton
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DUTCH STEAMER SUNK AT SINGAPORE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SINGAPORE, January 12.

While leaving Tanjong Pagar wharf, the M.M. Co's steamer Polynesian, bound for China, ran into and sank the Dutch steamer Djambil. Seven natives were drowned, but the Polynesian was able to proceed.

While avoiding the Polynesian the British India s.s. Testa ran ashore, but her damage is not serious.

[The Polynesian carries the French mail of December 20th and the mails from London of the 19th December. She is expected to arrive at Hongkong on the morning of Monday, January 18th.]

SHANGHAI EDITOR RELEASED FROM PRISON.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, Jan. 12.

Mr Henry O'Shea, the editor of the China Gazette, who was recently committed to prison for libelling Judge Wilfong of the American Court, was released to-day.

THE WHANGPOO CONSERVANCY.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, January 12.

The libel case brought by the company dredging the Whangpoo reclamation against Mr. Nielsen, of the China Gazette, was begun in the Danish Court to-day, and was adjourned until 27th January.

ALLEGED CHINESE DEPARTMENT ABUSES.

(Wah Tse Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, January 11.

The Prince Regent has ordered an investigation to be made into the numerous abuses which are said to be prevalent in the Imperial Household Department.

CHINA'S MINISTER TO GERMANY.

(Wah Tse Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, January 11.

Yin Chiang, the newly-appointed Minister to Germany, was received in audience by the Prince Regent before his departure to-day.

YUAN SHIH-KAI'S DISMISSAL.

(Wah Tse Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, January 11.

Imi Shan, Vice-President of the Board of Education, has presented a memorial to the Throne to the effect that in the present state of transition in China's affairs a highly creditable Minister such as Yuan Shih-kai was ought not to have been dismissed without adequate reasons.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

To-morrow morning, at 11.30 o'clock a special Memorial Service for those who were killed in the terrible calamity in the South of Italy will be held at the St. Joseph's Church by the Rev. Dr. D. Pozzani. His Lordship will be assisted by all his local clergy. Chev. P. Volpiotti, Italian Consul, Captain Marquis Casati Visconti, officers and men from the Cruiser Puglia, will be also be present and the Italian community is especially invited to attend.

HEAVY RAIN AT CANTON.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, January 9.

From Wednesday to last night there was an incessant downfall of rain, and yesterday thunder was heard here and in Fatsien. There is a belief among the Chinese that thunder in winter is a sign that there will be a failure of the crops during the following year. With this failure of the crops last spring and the present severity of the winter, it is causing no little anxiety to many of the people, especially the farmers. It is reported that the price of rice has already gone up a little, whether due to an increasing scarcity or to the fact that it is impossible to carry

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION AT ST STEPHEN'S GIRLS' SCHOOL.

The annual prize distribution in connection with St Stephen's Girls' College and Preparatory School took place this afternoon. His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard presenting the prizes.

His Excellency was attended by Captain Taylor and was accompanied by Miss Henniker and Mrs May. Amongst those present were the Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, Rev. C. Bunbury and many others.

The Lord Bishop of Victoria presided and in addressing the large gathering His Excellency paid a very high tribute to the excellent work of the staff and the nobility of the Chinese girls. He also commended the Chinese gentlemen connected with the college principally the Hon. Dr. Ho Kai who took a very prominent part in all the good works in the Colony for the betterment of his fellow nationals. His Excellency mentioned that Lady Lugard had wished him to express to them her deep regret in being prevented by indisposition from attending and distributing the prizes and it was her earnest wish as it was his, that the Chinese girls should grow up and be an intelligent and sympathetic help to their husbands in whatever profession or business in which they may be engaged.

His Excellency then distributed the prizes.

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HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK.

A £2 Dividend and 5% Bonus.

We are officially authorized to state that, subject to audit, the Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will recommend at the forthcoming meeting a Dividend of £2 per share, and a Bonus of 5% per share. Also that there be added to the Reserve Fund \$500,000, and carried forward about \$2,000,000.

AN OBSERVATORY FOR CANTON.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, January 9.

The Canton authorities are proposing to establish an observatory somewhere in Canton and to engage an astronomer. Plans are being prepared for its construction and funds are being collected for the purchase of the necessary apparatus.

CORRESPONDENCE.

COMFORT ON CARS.

(To the Editor of the CHINA MAIL.) Sir, We have heard a lot about the cruelty to rats that have to be killed and cruelly to fowls that have to be eaten, but what about the cruelty to a foreigner who travels by the 7.5 a.m. car from Causeway Bay to Suihwan paying ten cents only to be perished with cold? Those who paid five cents have screens on either side to protect them from the icy blast, not so the 7.5 a.m. car, for on the weather side, particularly, screens were conspicuous by their absence.—I remain, etc.

PERISHED.

PORTUGUESE GUNBOAT PATRIA AT MACAO.

The Portuguese gunboat Patria anchored in Macao harbour on the 8th inst., at 2 p.m. She is commanded by Captain-Lieutenant Jayme Affonso, and was expressly built by the Portuguese residents at Brazil and has a tonnage of 635 tons, with 1380 horse power and carries eleven guns. The officers are as follows:—1st Lieutenant Emilio Gagean, second in command; second Lieutenant José Carlos da Maia, Daciano do Mello Brandão; Surgeon, José Pinto Norões; Chief engineer, David Silva de Neves; 2nd and 3rd engineers, Antonio da Silva Borges and João Baptista Estanislau Mosqueira; Paymaster, João Antonio Ferreira Lopes and 4 midshipmen. She is very efficient and comparatively newly-built.

WANCHAI CONVENT DINNER.

Owing to the building of a new wing at the Wanchai convent now going on, it was necessary to divide the arrangements for accommodating the dinner party to the aged inmates into four departments. The ground floor of the Schools was allotted for the Chinese women, about 60 or 70; two rooms on the first floor for European women and girls, and a room annexed for European aged women. In the hospital quarters were seated about 30 blind women and girls in one room, in others a few invalids partook of dinner in their beds. Next to the Hospital table was placed outside for destitute men both European and Chinese. It was a grand scene for one who has never seen such a miscellaneous gathering. Meals, cakes, fruit and sweetmeats were abundantly provided for these poor creatures, and they seemed to be very happy.

SHIP'S OFFICER SHOT IN SAIGON HOTEL.

Saigon papers report a tragedy which occurred at the Marine Hotel at Saigon, on December 17, when M. Berreste, second officer of the steamer Dons, was shot fatally. It appears that M. Berreste went to interview a lady staying at the hotel having, he said, a commission from his husband who is now in Siam—Mme. de Roqueville. They had not been in conversation for long before an individual entered the room in which they were conversing. Shots were heard and a man, known by the name of Surmont, was seen leaving the place. This man said that Berreste had tried to strike him and then left the hotel. M. Berreste afterwards appeared; he was terribly wounded and sank to the floor. Mme. de Roqueville also appeared covered with blood and scarcely able to stand. The victims were placed in a rickshaw and taken to the hospital where it was found that Mme. de Roqueville had been seriously wounded at the left breast and the palm of the hand. M. Berreste received two revolver wounds which killed him almost at once.

The assassin surrendered himself to the authorities, to whom he made a statement to the effect that his two victims owed him money and had refused to pay. According to M. Berreste, M. Berreste was in extremely poor health. It is hoped that Mme. de Roqueville will make a speedy recovery.

SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

EDINBURGH, December 11.

LORD ROSEBURY ON NATIONAL DEFENCE.

Lord Rosebury is a towering figure in Imperial politics. For long spaces of time he remains inactive and silent, almost abandoning public life; then, suddenly, he breaks out, takes the front of the platform, and becomes the "honorary orator of the nation." A preacher to others of imperative duties, though meekly in matters of spade work, he himself seems incapable of sustained labour even when the issues are of the most vital. How often has it to be said, if only he were less brilliant and had more of steady purpose!

At present Lord Rosebury is in one of his higher moods. Last week he electrified Parliament, and won the admiration of friend and foe by his attack on the Licensing Bill. Now he has delivered a powerful appeal to the youth of Scotland to take more seriously the question of military service and national defence. The occasion was a small one, the presentation of prizes to the Leith battalion; but when he speaks it is not to the local gathering, the whole nation is his audience, his speeches "read so well." Clad in his new uniform of President of the Mid-Lothian Territorial Association, he took as his text "the clear duty that lies on all able-bodied men to join the defensive forces of the country." He will not be accused of being either a Chauvinist or an alarmist. Sometimes he has been suspected, on the strength of phrases he has let drop, of underestimating the danger that may possibly assail us from the side of Germany. And he is not disposed to lay weight on the bellicose and "lawless talk" of irresponsible individuals and journals on the Continent. Personally he does not believe that Germany or any other civilian Power would be guilty of the "unprecedented act of perfidy" of directing an attack on this country without warning or protest. But he cannot disregard the fact that the idea of invasion by a foreign enemy is entertained as a conceivable and substantial national risk "by persons competent to judge on such matters," and that, if this risk is overlooked or insufficiently prepared for by persons in authority, "it becomes a matter of some anxiety to the people of this country to know whether we are safe or not."

After wavering round his theme, as in his manner, he came to a definite conclusion on the whole matter. "I myself am a believer in the Swiss system, by which every able-bodied man is compelled to be trained for a short time, so that at any rate he may be capable at a pinch of being produced as an efficient soldier; and I believe that you will never be quite safe from such apprehensions as are indulged in at this moment till the nation makes up its mind to adopt a like system. And then, if Mr. Haldane's scheme should break down, you will inevitably, whether you like it or not, have to fall back" on the Swiss system. This pronouncement is of distinct importance, even with its Rosebury-like indecision. He has never yet so fully committed himself. He was one of the most interested listeners of Lord Roberts' speech in the House of Lords, and this plus for universal military training, may be put down on the result of the arguments of the veteran Field Marshal.

BRITAIN AND JAPAN.

In its weekly article on *The King's Outpost*, the Glasgow News compares the attitude of the Glasgow in Great Britain and Japan to the question of national defence. It says, "If Japan were situated in our narrow seas, and if she possessed our Navy, no German military officer would be able to say that, in temporary absence of Fleet, it was possible to land 150,000 Germans on her shores. Why so? Simply because the Japanese are a patriotic people, who are prepared to spend and be spent for the defence of their country. They are a nation in arms. With a poor population, not more numerous than our own; they can yet place a million of trained men in the field. If we had a million trained men in Great Britain, would there be any fear of invasion under any circumstances? Not the shadow of a shade of fear. Are we prepared to admit, therefore, that British patriotism is (trivial and contemptible in comparison with Japanese patriotism) are we?"

Such expressions of opinion are now common in our press, and are evidences of a slow growth of feeling in favour of compulsory military training.

GENERAL HARRISON ON THE TERRITORIALS.

Lieutenant-General Sir Henry Harrison, Director-General of the Territorial Army, informed a gathering of the Lowland Divisional Engineers at Rutherglen, that in his opinion "things were going on very well." One advantage of the scheme was that they had a large number of Regular officers whose exclusive duty it was to look after the Territorial troops. It was intended, he said, to encourage week-end camps, where the men could get good training without interfering with their civil occupation. Whatever the War Office did to increase the efficiency of the force, it was thoroughly recognized by them and by the country that all the men had their civil duties to think of, and soldiering could only come in their spare time.

SPORTING.

Football.

HAPPY VALLEY JUVENILES v. ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL BOYS.

A soccer game was played on the Parade Ground on Saturday afternoon between the Happy Valley Juveniles and the St. John's Cathedral Boys. It was a poor game from a football point of view, as the Happy Valley Boys outclassed the St. John's and ran home winners by no less than 10 goals to 0. For the winners Hoskins scored 8 and Goldenberg 4. These two played by far the best game. Brett and Reardon shined for the St. John's.

Billiard Championship of Hongkong.

This match between Mr Hinds and Sergeant Pitt was concluded last night in the St. Andrew's Hall. There was a very good attendance, nearly every seat being occupied. After the players had been introduced to the audience by Mr A. Shallen Hooper, who, in doing so, thanked the promoters for bringing the aspirants for championship honours together, and affording all lovers of the game an opportunity of seeing the best play in the Colony, the match was started shortly after nine o'clock.

The game was 1,000 up. After bringing for precedence Hinds broke with the spot and gave a miss in bull. Scoring was slow at first, both players not seeming to be at home. The light had evidently something to do with this, as shortly after the first few breaks had been made all lights in the room were extinguished, except of course, those immediately above the table. The play continued uninteresting for some time, both players being apparently of colour or suffering from nerves, till Hinds brought his score over the first century by a pretty break of 32, including a clever masse cannon, but failing at his next shot. The score then was Hinds 107 and Pitt 73. Points now came more freely, Hinds playing up to his usual limited style, though being unfortunate when his breaks promised to be big ones, and Pitt succeeding at some very risky shots. Hinds now put on several breaks of over forty and one of 64, (the highest break of the evening), off a lucky stroke, potting the last ball on a long cannon. The score at half-time stood at Hinds 250, Pitt 229. After the interval Hinds continued to score freely, making breaks of thirties and forties and one of 62. In an 18 break he executed a fine masse shot which effected lock apfaphse. When at 799 (Pitt 427) he went off actively and his opponent began to improve. For some time Hinds could only increase his score by threes and fours, his best effort for a while being a six. Pitt was playing staidly and a break of 51 brought his total over 500, following soon afterwards with a 42. Hinds then again got his eye in and with a pretty unfinished 48 ran out, amidst loud applause from the enthusiastic audience.

The general verdict after the match, which could not have been otherwise, was that the better man won, though his opponent played a plucky game. The loser did not have the same command over the balls as the man who had played with the world's champions.

SHANGHAI OPIUM COMMISSION.

M. Ratard, Consul-General for France at Shanghai, M. Brenier, Subdirector of Agriculture and Commerce of Indo-China, who presided at the last Mission Lyonnaise on Extreme-Orient, and M. Corillon, first class Inspector of the Customs and Monopolies Departments of Indo-China, have been appointed French representatives on the Shanghai Opium Commission.

Mr C. Denby, U.S., Consul-General at Shanghai, will take the place of Dr Tenney in the American Delegation, and his colleagues are Dr Hamilton Wright and Bishop Brogt.

The German representatives on the commission will be Consul-General Dr Roemer of Canton, and Dr G. Perutzsch of Shanghai.

The Japanese representatives will leave Tokyo on January 21 and arrive in Shanghai on the 26th or 27th instant. The Commissioners are:—H. E. Teunjeiro Miyake, Councillor of Embassy, Dr. R. Tahara, Dr. T. Takagi, Mr K. Tokoyama is secretary to the Commissioners. Mr O. G. Poiter, Consul-General for Portugal at Shanghai, and Commander C. A. L. d'Assumpcao have been appointed delegates for Portugal.

The English delegates include Sir Clement Smith, Sir Alexander Hume, Mr J. B. Brunyate, Mr McKenzie King (of Canada), and Mr Robert Laidlaw, M.P. Among their Secretaries will be Mr Clements of Hongkong.

The English delegates will be represented by Tseot Lin China and by Tseot Katsun and Dr Kuang. For Holland Mr. J. A. A. de Jong and Mr. J. H. van Vattum will appear. The names of the representatives of Russia, Turkey, Persia and Siam are not yet to hand.

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A special inducement to intending Visitors to the PHILIPPINE CARNIVAL, we are offering a reduced fare of \$60 for passage to Manila and return by our s.s. Zafiro sailing SATURDAY, the 20th January. Tickets issued at this reduced rate will be available for return by either the S.S. Zafiro leaving Manila on 7th February, or the s.s. Rubi leaving Manila on 13th February. For Freight or Passage, apply to
Shewan, Tomes & Co., General Managers.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN
REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN
JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIMAHU.....	JAVA	First half of January	SHANGHAI	First half of January
TJILIWONG.....	JAPAN	First half of January	JAVA	First half of January
TJIKINI.....	JAVA	Second half of January	JAPAN	Second half of January
TJILATJAP.....	JAVA	First half of February	SHANGHAI	First half of February
TJIBODAS.....	JAVA	Do.	JAPAN	Do.
TJIPANAS.....	JAVA	Do.	SHANGHAI	Do.

THE Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Northern and Indian ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

Yong Building, 24 Floor,
Hongkong, November 24, 1908.

Telephone No. 876.

Shipping.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY.S.S. 'MACEDONIA',
10,500 tons,

CAPTAIN C. D. BENNETT, R.N.R.

THIS THROUGH MAIL STEAMER FOR
MARSEILLES AND LONDON, Via BOMBAY,

WILL leave Hongkong on MARCH 20th, 1909, staying at Bombay 24 hours only and is due to arrive at:-
MARSEILLES... April 17th.
LONDON... April 24th.

FARES TO LONDON:-

1st Saloon.....£71.10 Single. £106.14 Return.

2nd"£48.8"£ 72.12"

For further Particulars apply to

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, November 25, 1908.

THOS. COOK & SON.

TOURIST, STEAMSHIP & FORWARDING AGENTS,
BANKERS, etc.

HEAD OFFICE:-LUDGATE CIRCUS, LONDON, E.C.
TICKETS TO EUROPE by the principal STEAMSHIP LINES and TRANS-SIBERIAN RAILWAY.
TOURS arranged to ALL PARTS of the World.
BAGGAGE collected, forwarded and insured at low rates.
LETTERS of CREDIT and CIRCULAR NOTES ISSUED and CASHED.
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Head Office for the Far East:-
16, DES VUEX ROAD, HONGKONG.
Japan Office:-
14, WATER STREET, YOKOHAMA.
Hongkong, April 4, 1908.

GREAT NORTHERN
STEAMSHIP COMPANY

Operating the New Twin Screw Steamship

MINNESOTA

22,000 TONS

BETWEEN YOKOHAMA, KOBE, NAGASAKI, SHANGHAI, HONG KONG
AND SEATTLE, U. S. A.

Sailing Dates Subject to Change.

'MINNESOTA', Captain Chas. Austin. THURSDAY, 6th May,
at Noon, 1909.
Omitting Shanghai.

Direct connections at Seattle with Great Northern and Northern Pacific Railways for all points in the United States and Canada; also with Atlantic Steamship Lines for all points in Great Britain and on the Continent. Direct connection at Hong Kong for Manila, Straits Settlements, Java, India, London and Paris.

LUXURIOUS PASSENGER ACCOMMODATIONS-Suites and State-rooms (all outside rooms), Music room, Library, Smoking room, Nursery, Laundry, Telephone, etc.

Trans-Pacific Cabin passengers may travel by rail if desired between ports of Yokohama, Kobe and Nagasaki, without extra charge.

For convenience of seafaring cabin passengers return tickets are interchangeable with regular mail lines between Japan, China and Hong Kong.

For full information regarding freight or passage apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Agents.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

POLYNESIESE,

Captain Brocq, will be despatched for the

above ports on or about MONDAY, the

18th inst.

P. DE CHAMPAGNE, Agent.

Hongkong, January 11, 1909.

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FOR

STRAITS, OCEAN, AUSTRALIA,

INDIA, ADEK, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH

AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATA-

VIA, PERSIAN GULF, CON-

TINENTAL, AMERICAN AND

SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS

THE Steamship 'DELHI', Captain J.

D. ASHROVE, R.N.R., carrying His

Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from

this for BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY,

the 23rd January, 1909, at Noon, taking Pas-

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AUSTRIAN NAVIGATION
LLOYD'S STEAM
COMPANY.

STEAM TO

SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND

KORE.

THE Co's Steamship

SILEZIA,

Captain RADONICICH, will leave for the

above places on TUESDAY, the 19th inst.,

p.m.

The steamer has capital accommodation

for Passengers, Electric Light, and carries

a Doctor.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SANDER, WIELER & Co.,

Agents,
Princo's Building.

Hongkong, January 9, 1909.

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STEAM FOR

FIUME and TRIESTE Direct, Calling at

SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO,

BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN, SUZ,

AND PORT SAID.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to the

BRASSIA, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA,

BLACK SEA, LEVANT, VENICE AND

ARABIAN PORTS.

THE Company's Steamship

SILVIA, will be despatched as

above on or about WEDNESDAY, the 20th

January, 1909.

This steamer has capital accommodation

for passengers, Electric Light, and

carries a Doctor.

For information as to Passage and

Freight, apply to

SANDER, WIELER & Co.,

Agents,
Princo's Building.

Hongkong, December 25, 1908.

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Shipping.

'SHIRE' LINE OF STEAMERS,
LIMITED.
FOR LONDON, ANTWERP AND
HAMBURG.

THE Steamship
CAENARVONSHIRE,
will be despatched for the above ports
about end of January, 1909.
For Freight or passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 24, 1908.

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Notice to Consignees

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND

SINGAPORE.

THE Co's Steamship 'Kunming' having

arrived from the above Ports, Con-

signees of cargo by her are hereby informed

that their goods will be delivered from

alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or re-

maining on board after 4 p.m., the 13th

inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and

expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, January 11, 1909.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANT-

WERP, LONDON, COLOMBO

AND SINGAPORE.

The Co's Steamship 'Awa Maru',

having arrived from the above Ports,

Consignees of cargo are hereby in-

formed that their Goods are hereby land-

ed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong

and Kowloon Wharves and Godowns of the

Godowns at Kowloon, where each consign-

ee will be sorted out mark by mark and

delivery can be obtained as soon as the

Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless

instructions are given to the contrary be-

fore Noon To-morrow.

Goods not cleared before the 18th Jan.,

will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Damaged Packages must be left in the

Godowns for examination by the Con-

signees and the Co's representatives at an

appointed hour. All claims must be pre-

sented within seven days of the steamer's

arrival here, after which date they cannot

be recognized. No claims will be admitted

after the goods have left the Godowns.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, January 11, 1909.

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'BEN' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP BENLARI.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP,

LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby in-

formed that all Goods are being land-

ed at the Godowns at Kowloon and

Godown Co., Limited, whence and or

from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the

Goods have left the Godowns, and all

Goods remaining undelivered after the 18th

January, 1909, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be

presented to the Underwriter on or before

the 23rd January, 1909, or they will not be

recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods

are to be left in the Godowns, where they

will be examined on the 18th January, at

11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 9, 1909.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S

STEAMER 'DELHI'.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND

STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above

named Vessel are hereby informed

that their Goods are being landed

and placed at their risk in the Hongkong

and Kowloon Wharves and Godowns of the

Godowns at Kowloon, where each consign-

ee will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and

delivery can be obtained as soon as the

Goods are landed.

The Vessel brings on Cargo:-

From London, &c., ex s.s. 'Mora'.

From Penang, &c., ex s.s. 'E.B.S.N.' and

B. & P.S.N. Co's steamers.

Optional goods will be landed here un-

less instructions are given to the contrary

before 6 Hours.

Goods not cleared by the 13th inst., at

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WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr. Hogg of the Hongkong Observatory:—
On the 12th at 11.55 a.m.—The barometer has risen quickly in E. Japan, and fallen considerably to moderately over the N.E. coast of China and the Loochoos respectively.
A depression, which will probably move towards N.E., has developed over the Pacific to the South of the Micco Sima.
Areas of high pressure are lying over the N.E. part of the Sea of Japan, and the Upper Yangtze.
Strong monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel, and moderate to fresh monsoon over the N. part of the China Sea.
Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.
Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow:—
FORECAST DISTRICT.
1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: N. N.E. winds, moderate to fresh; fair.
2.—Formosa Channel: N.E. winds, strong.
3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Loochoos: Same as No. 1.
4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: Same as No. 1.

To-day's Advertisements

THEATRE ROYAL.

BIJOU

TROUBADOURS

FOR TWO WEEKS.

TO-NIGHT!

TO-NIGHT!

(TUESDAY), January 12th, and

WEDNESDAY, January 13th,

'BABES IN THE WOOD'

THURSDAY and FRIDAY,

HARVESTERS IN CLOVER.

SATURDAY, January 16,

BABES IN THE WOOD.

SATURDAY and MONDAY,

LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD.

TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY,

BLUE BELL IN FAIRYLAND.

THURSDAY and FRIDAY,

ALICE IN WONDERLAND.

A late Tram will run to the Peak 15

minutes after the performance.

Plan now open at the

ROBINSON PIANO CO., LTD.

Hongkong, January 6, 1909.

TO LET.

FURNISHED, in March, for eight

months, 5-roomed Bungalow con-

venient to tram, 129, BAKER ROAD.

Further particulars, apply

A. E. GRIFFIN,

of LAUREL and ORANGE.

Hongkong, January 12, 1909.

THE OWL GRILL ROOM

HAS REMOVED

TO MORE COMMODIOUS PREMISES

29 & 31, DES VEGE ROAD,

Near the Mutual Store.

SPECIAL RATES FOR MONTHLY CLIENTS.

Tiffin ... \$20 per Month.

FULL BOARD ... \$40.

JUST LANDED

American Salmon, Corned Oysters, Yar-

mouth Bloaters, Pickled, English

Haddock, and

New Zealand, Whirled and Blue Cod.

PAPER'S SMALL GOODS ALWAYS ON HAND.

HARRY NEWBOLD, Proprietor.

Hongkong, May 19, 1908.

BEST TINNED

PROVISIONS

TO BE HAD AT

H. RUTTONJEE & SON,

Wine & Provision Merchants.

Hongkong, February 27, 1908.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE

ITALIANA.

(FLORENTINE & RUSSIAN UNITED COMPANIES).

STEAM FOR BOMBAY

VIA SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

Having connection with Company's Mail

Steamers to Port Said, Messara,

Naples, Leghorn and Genoa, also

Venice and Trieste, all MESSARA-

NAVY, ADELPHI, LEVANTINE and SOUTH

AMERICAN PORTS up to CAIRO.

(Rising Cargo at through rates to PERMAN-

ENT and Bagdad, also BANGALORE,

VALICATA, ALGERIA, AMERICA and

MALAGA).

THE Steamship

CAPRI.

Captain FERRIS, will be despatched for

the above ports on THURSDAY, the 14th

inst., at Noon.

For further particulars regarding Freight

and Passage, apply to

CARLOWITZ & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 12, 1909.

To-day's Advertisements

E. R.

VICTORIA BRITISH SCHOOL.

SCHOOL RE-OPENS FRIDAY, 15th

inst. Particulars on application to

HEADMASTER.

Hongkong, January 12, 1909.

AUSTRALIAN MUTUAL PROVIDENT

SOCIETY.

HEAD OFFICE: 87, FIFTY STREET, SYDNEY.

LOST POLICY.

IT is the intention of the Society on or

after the Twenty-fifth day of January

next, to issue Special Policies in place of

Policies No. 22508, 22123, 27121,

27122, 27568, on the life of Taro Oniz

which are declared to have been lost.

Dated at Sydney this Seventeenth day

of December, 1908.

ROBERT B. CAMERON,

Secretary.

THE WEST POINT BUILDING CO.,

LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the

TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY

MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this

Company will be held at the Company's

OFFICE, Victoria Buildings, on THURS-

DAY, the 23rd January, 1909, at 11.30

o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving

the Report of the Directors together with

Statement of Accounts for the year ending

31st December, 1908.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the

Company will be CLOSED from TUES-

DAY, the 19th January to THURSDAY,

the 28th January, (both days inclusive),

during which period no Transfer of Shares

can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

A. SHELTON HOOPER,

Secretary to the Hongkong Land Invest-

ment and Agency Co., Ltd.

General Agents, The West Point

BUILDING CO., LTD.

Hongkong, January 12, 1909.

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TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY

MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this

Company will be held at the Company's

OFFICE, Victoria Buildings, on THURS-

DAY, the 23rd January, 1909, at 12 o'clock

noon, for the purpose of receiving the

Report of the Directors together with

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By Order of the Board of Directors,

A. SHELTON HOOPER,

Secretary.

Hongkong, January 12, 1909.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Correspondence for Europe via Siberia,

is forwarded from Hongkong by all vessels

sailing for Shanghai.

Approximate times of closing mails at

Shanghai via Dalg and Siberia.

22nd January ... at 9.00 a.m.

23rd January ... at 8.30 p.m.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Mails will close:—

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CO-

LOMBO.—

Per Nippon, at 9 a.m., on Wednesday, the

13th Jan.

For CHERIBON.—

Per Zeyher, at 9 a.m., on Wednesday,

the 13th Jan.

For TAMSUI.—

Per Zeyher, at 10 a.m., on Wednes-

day, the 13th Jan.

For SWATOW & SHANGHAI.—

Per Weing, at 3 p.m., on Wednesday,

the 13th Jan.

For SWATOW.—

Per Haimon, at 10 a.m., on Wednesday,

the 13th Jan.

For MAO.—

Per Sui Tui, at 1.15 p.m., on Wednes-

day, the 13th Jan.

For SHANGHAI.—

Per Tama, at 3 p.m., on Wednesday,

the 13th Jan.

For ANPING & TAKAO.—

Per Yehing, at 3 p.m., on Wed-

nesday, the 13th Jan.

For SWATOW & BANGKOK.—

Per Pabai, at 5 p.m., on Wednesday,

the 13th Jan.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & BOM-

BAY.—

Per Capri, at 11 a.m., on Thursday, the

14th Jan.

MAILS BY THE GERMAN PACKET.—

The German Contract Packet Drifflinger

will be despatched on WEDNESDAY,

the 13th January, with Mails for the

United Kingdom, the Continent of

Europe and countries beyond, via

Brazil to the Straits Settlements,

Batavia, Borneo, Ceylon, India, (via

Tromsø), Aden, Egypt, Malta, &c.,

&c.

Printed Matter and Samples at 10 a.m.

Registration at 10 a.m.

Registration, with late fee of 10 cents,

up to 10.45 a.m.

No late fee.

Letters at 11 a.m.

Late Letters at 11.30 a.m. Extra

Postage 10 cents.

(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes

in time for the first clearance will be

included in this contract mail).

NOTICE!

JUST RECEIVED

A VERY

SMART ASSORTMENT

Ready to wear Hat

FOR THE

PRESENT SEASON.

M. GAINS,

HOTEL MANSIONS

(over Messrs. Koss & Co.)

Hongkong, January 12, 1909.

SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

January 11.

Zafiro, British str., 1,618, R. Rodger.

Manila Jan. 9, Hong, Sugar and General.

—SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.

January 12.

N.E. British str., 6,664, E. P. Martin.

N.E. British str., 2,238, General.—P.

& O. S. N. Co.

Drifflinger, German steamer, 9,083, G.

Meiner, Yokohama Jan. 2, and Shanghai

9, Mails and General.—Mitsubishi.

Tijahai, Dutch steamer, 3,403, J. N.

Boutan, Macassar January 3, General.—

JAYA-CHINA-JAPAN-LINE.

Arabia, German steamer, 2,668, G.

Neumann, Portland, Or., Dec. 1, General

and Flour.—PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAM-

SHIP CO.

Haimon, British str., 6,664, E. P. Martin.

Swatow January 11, General.—DOUGLAS

STEAMSHIP CO.

Ceylon Mail, Japanese str., 3,142, F. L.

Pyne, Kobe via Moji January 6, General.

—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Chikhi, British str., 1,143, Lindbergh.

Haiphong and Hoihow Jan. 10, Rice and

General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Nanchang, British str., 1,044, W. J.

Miller, West Jan. 7, General.—BUTTER-

FIELD & SWIRE.

Rajahmundry, German steamer, 1,180, H.

Brumer, Bangkok January 3, Rice.—

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Ariake Mar., Japanese str., 2,183, E.

Ota, Moji Jan. 6, Coal.—M. K.

Victoria, Swedish str., 989, T. Ecker.

Selsk. Jan. 4, Coal.—SANDER, WIELER

& Co.

Paoan, British str., from Canton.

Tosuan, Chinese str., from Canton.

DEPARTURES.

January 12.

Bentley, for Yokohama.

Peking, for Shanghai.

Jacob Dierckx, for Canton.

Dagun Mar., for Swatow.

Ariake Mar., for Kobe.

Shimizu, for Tsingtau.

Goway, for Singapore and London.

Zeyher, for Singapore and London.

Kwong, for Canton.

Idomeneus, for Shanghai.

Onang, for Kobe.

Chingwang, for Singapore.

Tosuan, for Canton.

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